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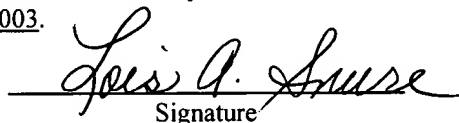
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COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THE ADDITIVE AND
UTILIZATION OF THE ADDITIVE IN SPECIAL PLASTERS AND
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The following Response and Amendment is responsive to the final Office Action mailed 27 April 2003, due for a response on 27 July 2003 with a three month extension of time. Contained herein are the following sections: I) Remarks and II) Conclusion and Closing.